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AMENDMENT & RESPONSE

Dear Madam:

A Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment was mailed on August 14, 2008. The Examiner set a one month period to respond to the Notice of Non-Compliance. Accordingly, this paper is timely filed. The original Amendment and Office Action Response, filed with the United States Patent and Trademark Office on July 17, 2008, was non-compliant because it was unsigned. This omission has been corrected. No substantive changes were made to the Amendment and Office Action Response.

This paper is being filed in response to the Examiner's first Office Action dated January 18, 2008 requiring that a response be mailed to the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) before the shortened statutory period for response to the action expires on April 18, 2008. A petition for extension of three (3) months and the required

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extension fee are being transmitted with this response. Applicant does not believe that any

additional fees are required. However, if any additional fees are required, please consider

this as a request to charge the necessary fees to Deposit Account 11-0245.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page

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Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.